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THEATRE ROYAL,

Mrs SIDDONS'S FOURTH NIGHT.

IN order to accommodate thoſe Ladies and Gentlemen who could not procure places on Monday,

TO-MORROW Evening, May 27. will be performed,

(For the LAST TIME this Seaſon)

The TRAGEDY of The

GAMESTER.

Beverley, Mr WOODS;
Stukeley, Mr SUTHERLAND;
Jarvis, Mr Sparks; Bates, Mr Hallion; Dawſon, Mr Davis; Waiter, Mr Bland, *jun.*
And Lewſon, Mr CAUTHERLEY.
Charlotte, Mrs Woods; Lucy, Mrs Mills;
And Mrs Beverley, Mrs SIDDONS.

To which will be added, a FARCE, (not acted theſe three years) called,

THE HONEST YORKSHIRE MAN.

The Curtain will riſe preciſely Half paſt Six.

DUNN's ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

THERE will be an ASSEMBLY in DUNN's Rooms, on FRIDAY next the 28th curt. to begin at Seven in the evening. Tickets to be had at the Hotel, at 3 s. each.

At the particular Requeſt of ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction.

EIDOURANION;

OR,

LARGE TRANSPARENT ORRERY.

MR WALKER JUNIOR, eſteems himſelf particularly flattered by the numerous applications for his longer ſtay, by which he is induced to repeat his

ASTRONOMICAL LECTURE,

On the above Machine,

To-Morrow, being THURSDAY, and on FRIDAY next, at Seven in the evenings,

IN THE OLD ASSEMBLY HALL, EDINBURGH.

Admittance, HALF-A-CROWN.

Tickets, and books of the Lectures, to be had at Meſſrs Corri and Sutherland's muſic-ſhop, Bridge ſtreet; Mr Creech's, bookſeller; Royal Exchange and Exchange Coffeehouſes; and at Dunn's and Poole's Hotels.

N. B. A Stage of Seats are erected, elevated above each other, for the accommodation of thoſe in a diſtant part of the room; ſo that every, perſon is enabled to have a diſtinct view of the Machine.

ELECTRICITY.

MR LONG, returns his moſt grateful and ſincere thanks, for the flattering attention and approbation beſtowed on his Experiments by the genteel audiences who have honoured him with their attendance; and reſpectfully begs leave to inform the Nobility, Gentry and Public in general, That he is induced to repeat his EXPERIMENTAL LECTURE on the above ENTERTAINING and IMPORTANT Branch of Philoſophy, To-Morrow, being THURSDAY, at Twelve Noon; and on FRIDAY next, at the ſame hour;

In the Dancing Room, St Mary's Chapel, Niddry's Wynd.

There will be introduced a ſucceſſion of new and important Experiments every day, which, from their novelty and power of evincing it is humbly hoped, will afford ſatisfaction; the numerous particular of which will be announced in the bills of the days.

Admittance, TWO SHILLINGS each.

Tickets and Books of the Lecture to be had at Meſſ. Corri and Sutherland's Muſic Shop, Bridge Street, Mr Creech Bookſeller, Royal Exchange and Exchange Coffee-houſes, and at Dunn's and Poole's Hotels.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Warehouſes of ALLAN, STEUART, and CO. Leith, on Thurſday the 27th current, at twelve o'clock noon,

About Five Tons OPORTO CORK,

And Fifteen Hundred Buſhels St UBES SALT.

At ſame place may be had, a few Hogſheads excellent TOBACCO.

Leith, 17th May 1784.

Ship Timber and Oak Bark to be Sold.

TO be SOLD, and delivered at Newcaſtle upon Tyne immediately, a very large quantity of exceeding fine, ſound, and well-hearted Ship Timber, which was cut down laſt ſummer, and now only in converſion, with Keels and Keelſey-pieces in abundance, and every other kind of Timber ſuitable to build veſſels, from twenty to ſix hundred tons burthen, which will be ſold in any quantity agreeable to the purchaſers.

Likewiſe, upwards of one hundred tons of Oak Bark, which was taken off the above Timber, and now in the greateſt perfection; being all ſafely ſtacked and covered, without getting a ſhower of rain; which will alſo be ſold in quantities agreeable to the purchaſers, by applying to Captain George Adams on the key ſide, Newcaſtle.

N. B. The common credit will be given for the payments, on giving bills on good people at the delivery; or the uſual diſcount will be given for ready money.

DESERTED from his Majeſty's 9th Regiment of Foot,

ALEXANDER CAMPBELL, about 19 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high without ſhoes, by trade a labourer, pale complexion, brown hair, grey eyes, a little pock pitted; was born in the pariſh of Torry, in the county of Argyle, near the market-town of Inverary.

Whoever apprehends the ſaid deſerter, and lodges him in any of his Majeſty's goals, or in the guard-houſe of any regiment in Great Britain, ſhall receive One Guinea reward, over and above the allowance made by Government, by applying to the commanding officer of the ſaid regiment, at Edinburgh caſtle, or to Meſſ. Meyrick, agents, Parliament-ſtreet, London.—N. B. The above deſerter ſerved in the Weſt Fencibles.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

LANDS IN BERWICKSHIRE.

To be peremptorily Sold, by order of the Truſtees of MR BRAIMER of EDROM.

TO be Sold by public roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 4th of Auguſt 1784, between the hours of ſix and eight afternoon,

The Lands and Farm of NEWTON of EDROM, conſiſting of 339 acres Engliſh, one third whereof is well incloſed, and the other two thirds may be done at a very ſmall expence, as all the out boundings are already incloſed by the conterminous heritors.

The lands in general are exceedingly fertile either for graſs or corn, are well ſituated for lime, and are at preſent under tack, which expires at Whitſunday 1786.

The lands are pleaſantly ſituated, being about three miles to the eaſt of the town of Dunſe, and the great road from Dunſe to Eyemouth and Berwick runs through the lands. There is a good farm houſe and office houſes upon the lands. They hold of the Crown.

The articles and conditions of roup, with the title-deeds, may be ſeen in the hands of John Bogue writer in Edinburgh, to whom any perſon inclining to purchaſe by private bargain may apply, or to Alexander Chriſtie junior, writer in Dunſe.

Lately publiſhed, Price 5 s. in boards,

AN INQUIRY

INTO THE CAUSES OF THE

Infidelity and Schepticiſm of the Times.

With OCCASIONAL OBSERVATIONS on the Writings of HERBERT, SHAFTSBURY, BOLINBROKE, HUME, GIBBON, &c.

BY JOHN OGILVIE, D. D.

Printed for W. GORDON, J. DICKSON, and W. CREECH, Edinburgh.

☞ A Gentleman diſtinguiſhed for his Taſte, writes to his Friend at ——, "Would parents and good citizens deſire to preſerve the "riſing generation from the prevailing contagion of Infidelity and A"theiſm, I know no book that is better calculated to forward their "views. Is it incumbent on the young Clergy to ſtudy the Deiſtical "Writers, and be maſters of the controverſy? There is not yet any "other book which completely diſcuſſeth one of its moſt important "branches."

At Mr GORDON's Shop continues to be ſold,

A large Collection of Books in the different branches of Literature, (priced catalogues to be had gratis); and all the old books remaining unſold, will now be ſold at the reduced price of 10 per cent. to thoſe who buy to the value of One Pound.

AMERICAN PEARL ASHES.

TO be SOLD, by auction, at the cellars lately poſſeſſed by Meſſ. Wilſon and Brown, foot of the Saltmarket, Glaſgow, upon Wedneſday the 2d June next, between the hours of twelve and two,

Sixty-three Caſks AMERICAN PEARL ASHES, moſtly of a ſuperior, and none of them of a mean quality. To be ſet up in lots of five caſks each.

Any gentleman inclining to purchaſe may ſee the Aſhes on the morning of ſale, by applying to Mr George Colvin merchant, or Mr Andrew Brown auctioneer Glaſgow.

SALE of GROCERY GOODS,

And Leaſe of a Shop and Houſe.

TO be ſold by public roup, at the ſhop of Mrs Black, grocer, head of Blackfriar's Wynd, on Thurſday the 27th May current, at ten o'clock forenoon,

The Whole STOCK of GOODS on hand in ſaid ſhop, conſiſting of Teas, Sugars, Wine, Spirits, and ſundry other articles in the grocery line.—With the ſhop, and ſome houſehold furniture. And

ALSO,

The RIGHT and BENEFIT of a LEASE of ſaid Shop, and Houſe adjoining thereto, for the term of 21 years, from and after Whitſunday in this preſent year, with the burden of payment of the rent, and other preſtations mentioned in the tack; which may be ſeen in the hands of James Skinner, writer, Kinloch's cloſe.

N. B. All thoſe indebted to Mr or Mrs Black, are deſired to pay their accounts directly, to the ſaid J. Skinner, the factor, appointed on Mrs Black's ſequeſtrated eſtate.

BANKRUPT.

WHEREAS a commiſſion of bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt GEORGE RIDPATH the younger, late of Borough of Berwick-upon-Tweed, vintner, dealer, and chapman; and he being declared a bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid commiſſion named, or the major part of them, on Monday the 7th day of June next, at the hour of four in the afternoon of that day; on Tueſday the 8th day of the ſaid month of June, at the hour of nine in the forenoon; and on Saturday the 3d day of July next, at the hour of three in the afternoon, at the houſe of George Wilſon, known by the name of the White Swan, ſituated in Alnwick, in the county of Northumberland, and make a full diſcovery and diſcloſure of his eſtate and effects, when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their debts; and at the ſecond ſitting to chuſe aſſignees; and at the laſt ſitting the ſaid bankrupt is required to finiſh his examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent or to diſſent from the allowance of his certificates.

All perſons indebted to the ſaid bankrupt, or that have any of his effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give notice to Mr J. Turnbull, attorney in Berwick.

COAL TO BE LET.

To be LET for ſuch a number of years as may be agreed upon,

THE very extenſive and level-free COLLIERY of COALSNAUGHTON, lying in the pariſh of Tillycoultry, and county of Clackmanan, about three miles from Alloa; to which port, the tenants are obliged to lead coals in ſummer, at 1 s. 8 d. per chalder. The preſent working ſeams are in good order, conſiſting of a five-foot coal, level free, moſt ſubſtantially fitted up, and the whole machinery in thorough repair. Several farms may be alſo let if deſired.

Propoſals may be tranſmitted to James Bruce, Eſq; the proprietor, at Tillycoultry, to John Watſon merchant in Alloa, coal factor, or to Thomas Mercer writer in Edinburgh, who will inform as to any particulars neceſſary to be known.

FARM IN TWEEDALE TO LET.

THE Farm of HAIRSTAINS, lying in the pariſh of Kirkurd, and county of Peebles. It lies upon the great road from Edinburgh to Dumfries, by Moffat, and near to that part where the road from Peebles to Glaſgow croſſes the other road.

As there has always been a public houſe kept at Hairſtains, the proprietor propoſes to accommodate the tenant with a ſuitable houſe and offices, and the farm itſelf is very convenient for that purpoſe, and, as it is out of leaſe a tenant may enter to it immediately.

Mr James Henderſon at Kirkurd will ſhow the grounds, and for further particulars apply to Cornelius Elliot writer to the ſignet, Edinburgh.

Houſes at Bruntsfield Links.

TO be SOLD by public roup, upon Thurſday the 8th day of July next, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon, in John's Coffeehouſe, theſe Houſes at the north-weſt corner of Bruntsfield Links, near the Toll Bar, viz.

That HOUSE poſſeſt by Mr Alexander Fraſer vintner, conſiſting of five rooms, kitchen, good cellars and other conveniencies, well ſituated, and has been long a well frequented tavern.

ALSO, that other New Built Houſe, over the paſſage into Mr Fraſer's houſe, conſiſting of two ſtories, with a cellar under the ſtair, pleaſantly ſituated, and has a fine proſpect eaſtward along the Links.

The title deeds, which are clear, are in the hands of George Carmichaell, the Proprietor, living in the new houſe, and who will inform as to any other particulars.

SALE OF LANDS IN PERTHSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the houſe of Mr Marſhall vintner in Perth, upon Wedneſday the 7th day of July 1784, betwixt the hours of one and three afternoon,

One Third Part of All and Haill the Lands of BALBIGGIE, lying in the pariſh of Kinnoul, and within four miles of the town of Perth. Theſe lands conſiſt of above one hundred acres arable, and are partly incloſed. They hold of a ſubject-ſuperior, for payment of a feu-duty of 3 s. 4 d. The whole are in the natural poſſeſſion of the proprietor, and about two-thirds of the ground have been laid down in graſs for theſe three years paſt. The purchaſer may enter to the whole at Martinmas firſt. The dwelling houſe and offices are in good condition.—Theſe lands are now ſeparate and diſtinct from the other two thirds.

For further particulars, apply to John Ogilvie writer in Dundee, who will ſhow the progreſs of writs and conditions of ſale, and to whom the creditors of John Watſon of Balbiggie are deſired to give in notes of their debts, betwixt and the day of ſale.

SALE OF LANDS IN FORFARSHIRE.

THE Lands of ROSEBANK, conſiſting of about 195 Scotch acres, including 47 acres of planting; 92 acres of the above have been eleven years in the poſſeſſion of the proprietor for the purpoſe of improvement, which having been at a large expence completed, they are now in high order.

There is a commodious manſion-houſe, well ſheltered with young trees to the north-eaſt, north-weſt, and north, lately built, and neatly finiſhed, with an exceeding good court of office-houſes, pigeon and chaiſe-houſe, &c.; alſo a kitchen garden with brick walls.

The ſituation in a fine ſporting country, one mile from the river North Eſk, about two from the South Eſk, and two and a quarter from the town of Montroſe, on a gentle declivity to the ſouth, is dry and healthy, and commands a moſt beautiful proſpect of the baſon of Montroſe, the German Ocean, and a fine cultivated country.

For particulars apply to Mr Thomas Macdonald clerk to the ſignet, or to the proprietor at Roſebank.

JUDICIAL SALE of LANDS IN AYRSHIRE.

TO be expoſed to public roup, under authority of the Court of Seſſion, within the Parliament-houſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 7th of July 1784, betwixt four and five afternoon,

The LANDS and ESTATE of PINMORE and OTHERS, lying in the pariſhes of Colmonnel, Barr, and Girvan, reſpectively, and county of Ayr, in lots as under, viz.

LOT I.—Containing the Manſion-houſe of Pinmore, Gardens, &c.; and alſo the Farm of Mains of Pinmore, the Lands of Lagganfarroch, Iſle, and Woodhouſe-park, Pinclunty and Mill of Carwhin, Merkland, Holm, Aſſil, and Lamduchty; the proven free rent whereof, with the addition of ceſs paid by the tenants, and after deduction of the valued tiend-duty, is L. 224 7 0 6-12ths

And the proven value, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is L.5160 1 11 6-12ths

Add five years purchaſe of part of the tiends of theſe lands, which are ſaleable, - 22 4 2 5-12ths

Total upſet price of Lot I. L.5182 6 1 11-12ths

The lands in this lot are highly improveable, and of great extent. The manſion-houſe is a pretty good one, and there is an excellent kitchen garden. No place can be better ſituated for country amuſements of every kind. There is wood upon this lot, ready for cutting, to the value of about 200l. Sterling. The lands in this lot may afford three freehold qualifications upon old extent.

LOT II.—The Lands of Corſeclays and Drummore; the proven free rent whereof, with addition of ceſs paid by the tenants, and after deduction for the valued tiend, is L. 73 10 10 6-12ths

And the proven value, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is L.1691 10 1 6-12ths

Add five years purchaſe of 14l. 1d. 6-12ths, the valued tiends being ſaleable, - 70 0 7 6-12ths

Total upſet price of Lot II. L.1761 10 9

Theſe lands conſiſt of about 300 acres, all incloſed and ſubdivided. They are at preſent ſet for grazing only, and would riſe greatly, were a liberty of ploughing given. Drummore is retoured to a 40s. and Corſeclays to a 2 merk land, of old extent.

LOT III.—The Lands of Crongart and Knockglaſs; the free proven rent whereof, with addition of ceſs, and deduction for valued tiend, is L. 34 10 6

And the proven value, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is L. 794 1 6

Add five years purchaſe of 3l. 1s. 1d. the valued tiend being ſaleable, - 15 5 5

Total upſet price of this lot, L. 2809 6 11

LOT IV.—The Farm of Cairnlae; the free proven rent whereof, after deduction for the valued tiend, is L. 46 18 2 6-12ths

And the proven value, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is L.1078 18 9 6-12ths

Add five years purchaſe of 5l. 19s. 9d. 6-12ths, the valued tiend being ſaleable, 29 18 11 6-12ths

Total value of Lot IV. L.1108 17 9

The leaſe of this farm expires in a few years, when a conſiderable riſe of the rent is expected. It is retoured to a 40s. land of old extent.

The whole of the above lands hold blench of the Prince.

LOT V.—The Farm of Balbeg; the proven free rent whereof, with addition of ceſs paid by the tenants, and after deduction of feu-duty and valued tiend, is L.12 : 9 : 7 9-12ths; and the proven value, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is L.287 : 1 : 10 4-12ths.

This farm holds feu of the Crown for payment of 5s. 6d. 8-12ths Sterling yearly.

The tiends of the whole of the above lands are valued, but the tiends of thoſe lands which lie in the pariſh of Colmonnel only are ſaleable.

LOT VI.—A Tack of the Lands of Daldowie, lying in the pariſh of Girvan and ſhire of Ayr, let by Mr Hamilton of Bargeny to Mr Kennedy of Pinmore. The ſurplus rent drawn therefor from the ſubtenant, after deduction of the principal tack-duty and all public burdens, is proven to be L.14 : 16 : 6 10-12ths, and is to be expoſed at the upſet price of L.245 : 10 : 2, being the value thereof, proven by the depoſitions of two accountants. The principal tack expires at Whitſunday 1820, and the purchaſer is to have right to the tack-duties from Whitſunday 1784.

This farm is preſently ſubſet to Thomas Shaw, whoſe ſubtack expires at Martinmas 1804; ſo that the principal tack endures fifteen years and a half after the ſubtack.

LOT VII.—A Tack of the Lands of Kilpatrick, Balcoon, and Maclechriſton, lying in the pariſh of Girvan and ſhire of Ayr, ſet by Mr Boyd of Pinkill to Mr Kennedy of Pinmore. The ſurplus rent drawn from the ſubtenants, after all deductions, is proven to be L. 36 : 17 : 7 8-12ths; to be expoſed at the upſet price of L.453 : 13 : 4 Sterling, being the proven value thereof.

Part of this farm is ſubſet to Thomas Shaw, and part of it is in Mr Kennedy's poſſeſſion. Both the principal and ſubtack expire at Whitſunday 1804. The purchaſer is to have right to the rents from Whitſunday 1784.

LOT VIII.—A Tack of the Lands of Dalfaſk and Laggan, lying in the pariſh of Girvan and ſhire of Ayr, ſet by Mr Hamilton of Bargeny to Mr Kennedy. The ſurplus rent drawn from the ſubtenants for theſe farms is proven to be L. 67 Sterling, and the leaſe is to be expoſed at the upſet price of L.1109 : 6 : 0, the proven value thereof.

The principal tack of this farm expires at Whitſunday 1820, and the preſent ſubtack expires at Michaelmas 1798; ſo that the principal tack endures about twenty-one years after the ſubtack. The purchaſer is to have right to the tack-duties from Whitſunday 1784.

The title-deeds, rental, and articles of roup, may be ſeen in the office of Mr George Kirkpatrick, depute clerk of ſeſſion. For further information apply to Archibald Tod writer to the ſignet, Edinburgh, agent in the ſale.

PRICE OF STOCKS, MAY 22.

Bank Stock, —	Ditto unpaid, 11 a 12 diſc.
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 74½ a ¾.	South Sea Stock, —
3 per cent. con. 58¾ a ½.	3 per cent. Old Ann. ſhut.
3 per cent. red. 57⅞ a ¾.	Ditto New Ann. —
3 per cent. 1726, —	Ditto 1751, —
Long Ann. 17⅝.	Exchequer Bills, —
Short Ann. 1778, 12⅝.	Navy Bills, 16¾.
India Stock, —	3 per cent. Scrip. —
3 per cent. Ann. —	Light Long Ann. —
India Bonds paid, —	

WIND AT DEAL, MAY 21. E. N. E.

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From the LONDON GAZETTE, *May* 22.

Whitehall, May 20.

THE King has been pleased to grant unto George Harrison, Esq; Windsor Herald, the office of Norroy King of Arms, and Principal Herald of the north parts of that part of Great Britain called England.

Copenhagen, May 4. Her Royal Highness the Princess Sophia Frederica, Consort to Prince Frederick, was on Sunday morning, the 2d of this month, safely delivered of a daughter.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD'S, *May* 21.

Gibraltar, April 26. Two P. M. light breeze at east. All the ships getting up their anchors to proceed to the westward.

Captain Cobby, of the Hope, arrived in the River from Lisbon, on the 12th instant, in lat. 49. 37. N. long. 5. 37. W. spoke the Mosely Hill, Sewell, from Liverpool to Africa, all well.

L'Aigle, ——, an Imperial Indiaman, from Port Re to Marseilles and China, is put into Fiume in distress.

From the London Papers, May 22.

LONDON.

The House of Commons did no business yesterday, besides making a farther progress in swearing the members. Upwards of four hundred have already taken and subscribed the necessary oaths. The House is adjourned till Monday, when the Speaker means to take the Chair at twelve on that day, and it is expected the whole number of members, now in town, will be sworn by four o'clock, after which hour the House will proceed on business.

Yesterday Ilay Campbell, Esq; kissed his Majesty's hand at St James's, on being appointed Lord Advocate of Scotland.

Mr Dundas moves for the introduction of the new East India bill, and the plan we understand is to be a composition of the two principles of his own and Mr Pitt's scheme: a distinct Secretary of State, with a small board, for the sole management of Indian affairs, and the Governor-General to have a negative.

On Thursday evening Lord Chesterfield arrived in town from Paris, and yesterday waited on the King at St James's.

It is currently reported, that Lord Chesterfield does not return on his embassy to the Court of Madrid till some new political arrangements are adjusted.

Yesterday Mr C. Atkinson was again brought before the Court of King's Bench, when, on reading the affidavit, and hearing Mr Bearcroft and Mr Wood in behalf of Mr Atkinson, Lord Mansfield, in a speech that did him infinite honour, declared the unanimous opinion of the Court, That the record should be amended as prayed. Lord Mansfield concluded his address in words to this effect:

"There is a certain principle which I have laid down in this, as well as other places, which was never more properly applicable than in the present instance:

"That no fiction of law shall ever so far prevail against the real truth of the fact, as to prevent the execution of justice."

By consent of the Attorney-General, the judgment of the Court against Mr Atkinson was postponed till the next term, in order that his counsel may inspect the record when amended; they being still entitled to make any further objection that may yet appear on the face of the record.

Yesterday, at a quarter before seven o'clock in the evening, came on the trial touching Mr Morris's cause, to establish his matrimonial contract with Miss Harford. Dr Scot recapitulated the heads of the arguments, derived from the laws of nature and nations, which he adduced on last Tuesday se'ennight.—Dr Wynne replied, and contended that the marriage being contracted in fraud was void *ab origine*. To prove this position, he adverted to Mr Morris's conduct during the time the young lady was under the care of Mrs Latouche for education, when that lady found herself under the necessity of informing Mr Morris, "that his frequent visits prevented the young lady from making a progress in her education." He then traced him to every part of the Continent, and showed the probability of a like advantage being taken at Lisle, where Miss Harford "desired the ceremony to be performed in the English language." He next proved from the *lex loci* of the county in which the marriage contract was celebrated, that it was illegal; that it was likewise illegal under the marriage act of 1773; that it was void by the common law antecedent to that period; that it was equally condemned by the principles of the Roman and the Canon Law. His argument, which embraced an immense scope of learning and law, both jurisprudential and canonical, lasted two hours. At nine o'clock, Mr Mansfield began his argument, and continued it till ten, in the course of which he continued, that the marriage in question was founded in fraud and illegality; particularly with respect to the *lex loci* of the two places (French Flanders and Denmark) in which it was performed. He quoted the opinions of the ablest lawyers in those places, to prove his assertions. After a profundity of reasoning, he concluded with craving judgment in favour of Miss Harford.—The Court was then cleared, and after half an hour's consideration, the Court was opened, and *final* judgment given——"That both pretended marriages were void; that Miss Harford, falsely in the libel called Morris, was at full liberty to marry again, and that Mr Morris was condemned in full costs."

Yesterday, a Court of Common Council was held at Guildhall, pursuant to a requisition made to the Lord Mayor, on Saturday last, by several respectable Liverymen, when it was unanimously resolved to instruct their representatives to move for the repeal of the receipt-tax.

The humble ADDRESS *of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, presented on Thursday to his Majesty.*

Die Mercurii, 19 Maii, 1784.

"*Most gracious Sovereign,*

"WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to return your Majesty our humble thanks for your most gracious speech from the Throne.

"Deeply sensible of the blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's government, we desire to express our satisfaction and gratitude, that, in the exercise of the powers vested in you by the constitution, your Majesty has been graciously pleased to recur to the sense of your people, at a conjuncture when the situation of public affairs called aloud for that exertion.

"Animated with the truest sentiments of loyalty to your Majesty's person and government, of attachment to our excellent constitution, and of regard for the public welfare, your Majesty may safely rely, that we will enter upon the important objects of public business, which call for our attention, with temper and assiduity, and that we will prosecute them with all the dispatch of which their nature will admit.

"In pursuit of these objects, which your Majesty has been pleased to recommend to our consideration, we beg leave to assure your Majesty, that we will apply ourselves with industry to the stopping the alarming progress of frauds in the revenue; and that we shall be ready to co-operate with the other branches of the legislature, in framing such further commercial regulations as the present circumstances may require.

"Convinced, as we are, how materially the situation of the affairs of the East India Company is connected with the general interests of the country, and that it forms a most important subject of deliberation, your Majesty may depend, that in applying our utmost attention to provide for the good government of our possessions in India, we shall well and anxiously weigh the effect which the measures we may adopt may have upon the invaluable constitution of Great Britain.

"We beg leave humbly to assure your Majesty, that we have the fullest conviction of your Majesty's paternal care and affection for your people, and that the prosperity of your subjects is the first object of your Royal attention; which could not be more fully manifested than in the resolution your Majesty has taken to support and maintain, in their just balance, the rights and privileges of every branch of the legislature."

His MAJESTY'S *most gracious* ANSWER.

"*My Lords,*

"I thank you for this very loyal and dutiful address. I receive with great satisfaction every fresh mark of your attachment to me, and your zeal for the public interests, and for the preservation of our most excellent constitution."

Yesterday advice was received from Greenland, that the whale fishery was likely to turn out very well; that most of the ships had met with success, and that several were preparing to leave the ice the beginning of this month.

Thursday evening while Macklin, in the character of the Sycophant, was cutting up party, and decribing the corruption of Ministers, candidates, &c. a great cat leaped out of the upper balcony box upon the stage—the accident created a great laugh, and when it subsided, Macklin looking gravely at the audience, said, "*By the Lord, I've let the cat out of the bag.*"

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, May 22.

"The summer season has at last set in here, with a violence which makes up for the tardiness of its approach. The town is intolerably hot, and will yet be hotter. Numbers of the Members of Parliament linger in the country. The important matters to be discussed, it is expected, will bring them to town, though reluctantly: and the impatience of returning to their villas will have a good effect if it moderates the obstinacy of debate, and suffers the grand business of legislation to go on without any other opposition, than what may as effectually be made by a few well-weighed sentences and a vote, as by the most elaborate and prolonged speeches.

"While the British Senate is employed in internal regulations, the varying state of Europe, it is not improbable, may call their attention to foreign objects. The Emperor has at last discovered at least one great object of the mighty preparations, which he has been making for so many years backward. It is doubtless his intention to open the navigation of the Schelde, and reclaim from the Dutch as much as he can of the dominion they wrested from his ancestors. In what manner this movement will affect the face of Europe, is uncertain. The King of Prussia cannot sit still and behold a revival of that great power, which had so often trampled on the liberties of Germany. We should be apt to imagine, too, that France would oppose the aggrandizement of the Pretender to Alsace and Lorraine, and the Sovereign of the Austrian Netherlands. If these powers should assist the Dutch, the Emperor could have no hopes of success, but by the assistance of the English and the Danes; a corporation which he could not, in the present juncture of affairs, obtain. It is, therefore, not improbable, but the Austrians and the French understand one another on this occasion, and that some secret compact unites these preponderating powers. The great object of ambition with the European powers is to be strong at sea. This is well known to be the object of the Emperor as well as of France. The small ports on the Adriatic, and in the Mediterranean, rendered the attempts of the Emperor to establish an Eastern trade a matter of small importance, and even of scorn to maritime nations. But unite these attempts with the opening of the Schelde, and a grand object appears to view. The Dutch East India possessions, like the Seven United Provinces, were many of them ravished from the Austrians when they filled the throne of Spain. These present a tempting object of partition to the two great powers on the Continent.—There is nothing so probable as that such a partition is actually in contemplation: and nothing more certain that none is more alluring to ambition. If these conjectures are well founded, a reconciliation will probably take place between Britain and Holland."

On Monday, Mrs *Siddons* performed the part of Mrs *Beverley*, in the *Gamester*; and the Public were gratified, in that domestic tragedy, with an opportunity of knowing still better, and admiring more highly, what caught them so much at first in her manner, its originality and simplicity. So remote, indeed, was her appearance and demeanour, in the first scene, from that pompous, buskined deportment which is usually assumed by tragic actors, and which even excellent performers have thought indispensible; so near was it to the chastity of nature, and to the carriage of a well-educated woman in real life, that many, it is believed, who had never before seen anything like it upon the stage, could scarce persuade themselves that this was the celebrated Mrs Siddons, and sat for a while in silent doubt, whether to impute it to their own want of taste that they did not admire her, or to prejudice in the Public that she had been admired so much. As Partridge, in Tom Jones, laughed at the idea of admiring Garrick's scene with the Ghost in Hamlet, because Garrick looked and behaved on the occasion just as any man would do that saw a ghost, so they saw no cause to be smitten with her performance of this character in private life, because Mrs Beverley, in her hands, was just what Mrs Beverley should be, and in nothing either short of it, or beyond it. But this delusion did not last long; she gained upon them gradually as the story went on; and all were soon convinced, that her distresses did not find the less ready belief, nor the less easy access to their hearts, for the plainness and modesty with which she had introduced herself to their acquaintance. To notice half the beauties that were remarked in her performance, would much exceed the bounds that can be assigned to this article; but there are some which we should be unwilling to pass over. Her recovery from the warmth, with which she receives from Stukely the first hints of her husband's supposed infidelity, and her endeavours to conceal from that artful villain the uneasiness which his insinuations have occasioned her, is executed with all the nicety and delicacy that they require: an encomium, which, however cool it may appear, is in reality very high; for few passages are more difficult to execute with effect. The same praise is most justly due to her mode of taking leave of him at the end of the scene; the expression which her countenance then wears being natural, and proper, and fine, if ever there was any such in the world. The idea of this too, it must be remarked, is entirely her own, without direction or hint of any kind from the author; which also is the case with the looks and signs, equally significant and happy, that she addresses to Charlotte, before going out with Lewson. But in that scene of the third act, where Stukely unwarily betrays his secret purpose to her, and uncovers the vileness of his heart, she displays a force, and grandeur, and energy of manner, which those who had seen her only in Belvidera, and thence, probably, had concluded the language of affection and distress to be her *forte*, could not reasonably look for. In speaking these words, "No, on my life he did not!—"I'll not believe it.—He has no mistress—or if he had, why "is it told to me?" She breaks forth in a power with such power and is so full of vigour and of meaning, that it may be doubted, whether the author himself, when he wrote the passage, fully conceived all that she throws into it. The searching look that she afterwards fixes upon Stukely, while he unfolds himself, in which contempt, disdain, indignation, aversion, are all mingled with the most forcible expression, is such, that one almost expects to see the seducer sink into the earth before her. And after she has heard him out, with such animated exultation, and conscious dignity, does she deliver the feelings of her soul for him and for his purpose, that honour and fidelity gain fresh charms from the colours which she lends them, and the every spectator feels inclined to lay within himself, "Such "*the part of virtue is* NATURAL *to this woman, and it is an* "*impropriety to say she* ACTS *it.*" Her performance of Mrs Beverley rises till the very last scene; in which, when she speaks the words, "*'Tis false, old man!—They had no quarrel—there* "*was no cause for quarrel!*" her expression of alarm, anger, apprehension, agitation, more in short than can be said, is so sudden, and so vivid, that nothing can be beyond it. The scene concludes with a representation of mute affliction and despair by her; as she is borne out from the dead body of her husband, which those who wish to conceive, must go and behold. Mr *Woods* did great justice to the character of *Beverley*; and the audience regretted that he was so seldom on the stage along with Mrs Siddons.

A correspondent who says he speaks the wish of many others, as well as his own, begs leave to suggest to the spectators of Mrs Siddons, the impropriety, and bad policy, of interrupting that inimitable actress by applause in the course of a scene.

The Lady of Sir David Carnegie of Southesk, Baronet, was safely delivered here, yesterday morning, of two daughters.

Mrs Euphemia Muir, spouse to Mr Andrew Hunter merchant in Leith, died on Monday the 24th instant, much and very justly regretted.

On Saturday last, died at Kellet, near Lancaster, Lieutenant Ainslie of the 24th regiment.

Mrs Helen Kinloch, daughter of the deceased Dr John Kinloch of Clashbinny, and wife of Mr William Keech, late cabinet maker in Edinburgh, died here the 24th inst. It is hoped her relations will accept this notification of her death.

The London Gazette brought by this day's post, contains addresses to his Majesty, from the counties of Dorset and Forfar. It likewise contains the Lord Lieutenant's speech and the prorogation of the Parliament of Ireland, to the 29th of June next.

This day, James Herdman, merchant in Greenock, prisoner in the tolbooth of Edinburgh, was served with an indictment, at the instance of his Majesty's Advocate, and John Monro, Esq; Advocate, Procurator-fiscal of the High Court of Admiralty, accused of similar crimes with those for which John M'Iver and Archibald M'Allum were indicted, as formerly mentioned. In the same indictment are included Duncan Clark, late tobacconist in Edinburgh, and David Thomson, merchant in Greenock, not yet apprehended, who are supposed to have been guilty of the same crimes, as co-partners with Herdman, &c. The trial is expected to come on before the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty on Friday the 11th of June.

At the new Tryst at Mickle Wartle, Aberdeenshire, held last week, there was an excellent show of cattle, which sold high; a great number of dealers attended; and it is thought this tryst will be of great advantage to that part of the country.

The Unity, Grindlay, is arrived in the Thames, all well after a very fine passage.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Yesterday, the General Assembly, agreeable to the resolution Monday, proceeded to consider the Overtures from the Synod of Glasgow and Ayr, and of Perth and Stirling, relating to the repeal of the law of Patronage, &c. After reasoning at great length, the following motion was made by Mr Solicitor General Dundas, and seconded, 'To reject these Overtures as inexpedient, ill-founded, and dangerous to the peace and welfare of this Church.' A second motion was made by the Rev. Dr Macfarlane and seconded, 'That the Assembly having taken into their very serious consideration, the Overtures upon the subject of Patronage, transmitted to them by their committee of Overtures, from the Synods of Glasgow and Ayr, and of Perth and Stirling; after long reasoning, it was moved, That, whereas former Assemblies of the Church have, in strong terms declared the law of Patronage to be a grievance, and the annual instructions to the Commission of every Assembly have, That the commission are to embrace every favourable opportunity that may occur to obtain relief from this grievance; and whereas, in many parts of Scotland, the regorous exercise of the law that has been felt, and complained of as productive of the most unhappy consequence both to Church and State; from all which, some alteration of the present Law appears to be requisite: Yet, as different sentiments are entertained upon the subject, therefore, with a view that the voice of those chiefly interested may be known, the General Assembly did, and hereby do, recommend the consideration of this important matter to Presbyteries, ordaining them to consult in the most public and respectful manner with the Noblemen and Gentlemen of landed property, with the Magistrates and Town Councils of Burghs within their bounds, persons chiefly concerned, upon the points therein specified, and after deliberation transmit the opinions they have received to the next General Assembly, that it may be known what the sentiments of the Gentlemen of landed interest and their constituents are; that thus the Assembly may be enabled to regulate their procedure in a subject so interesting to the public at large, and to this Church in particular. The points on which Presbyteries are to deliberate and consult are the following, viz. Whether it be their opinion, that an application for a repeal of that law, and the restoration of the act 1690, with the election of landward parishes in the conjunct body of Heritors and Elders; and, in Royal Burghs, in the Magistrates, Town Council and Kirk-sessions, together with such amendments as may be thought necessary, or be most advisable. 2do, Whether they would decline

amendments and limitations of the law of patronage as might prevent the abuses of the law chiefly complained of, and tend to promote the general interests of religion, and peace of the country. And the Assembly ordains separate copies of this act to be immediately printed, to be distributed among the members, and transmitted to every Presbytery in Scotland, with all convenient speed.——It was then agreed to put this matter to a vote. The Assembly, after long reasoning on the state of the vote, agreed, that the state be, *Reject*, or *Not?* it being understood, if it carries *Reject*, the overtures be rejected, in terms of the first motion. Against which state of the vote Mr Bryce Johnston protested in his own name, and in name of all those who should adhere to him. The roll being called, and the votes marked, it carried, *Reject* 134, *Not* 44; majority 90. The Assembly therefore rejected these Overtures as inexpedient, ill founded, and dangerous to the peace and welfare of this Church. From which judgment Mr Andrew Crosbie advocate dissented, in which he was joined by Mr John Dickie. Several others, agreeable to the allowance of the Assembly, gave in their dissents this day.

To enter into a minute detail of the arguments used on this popular question, would greatly exceed the limits of a news-paper. It is, besides, in a great measure, rendered entirely superfluous, by the frequent and very long details we have had occasion to lay before our readers on the same subject. Suffice it to say, that, on the present occasion, scarcely any thing new was advanced. The speakers for *rejecting* were, Dr Isaac Davidson, Mr Solicitor General, Mr Liddel, Mr Chiefley, Dr Grant, Mr Willis, Mr Fergusson, Dr Gerrard, Mr Yorstoun, Dr Carlyle, Dr Grieve, for 1st, Mr Duff at Tippermuir, Mr Dun, Mr Scott at Twinholm, Mr Crosbie, Mr Lapslie, Dr Macfarlane, Dr Hunter, Mr Bryce Johnston.

This day, the Committee for revising commissions reported an objection to the commission in favour of Mr James Horn writer to the signet, from the Burgh of Wick. The Assembly, upon hearing the objection, repelled the same, and sustained the commission.

The Assembly then, agreeably to their resolution of yesterday, proceeded to consider the Overtures from the Synods of Aberdeen, and of Angus and Mearns, the purport of which were, that the law of Patronage, as it presently stands, by the 12th of Queen Anne, ought to be continued, and the act 1690 should not be revived. The overtures being read, together with the reasons of dissent and complaint by Mr John Bisset, it was moved by Professor Hill of St Andrews, and seconded, "That the Assembly give the following deliverance upon the above Overtures. The General Assembly having considered the Overtures from the Synod of Aberdeen, and the Synod of Angus and Mearns, do resolve, that it does not appear to this Assembly, that there is any reason for an innovation being made in the mode of settling vacant parishes." Another motion was made by Mr Bryce Johnston, and seconded, "That the Overtures be rejected, without assigning any reason." After some reasoning among the members, the vote was put, to approve of the first motion, or reject the Overtures; and the roll being called, and votes marked, there appeared for the *first motion*, 108, for *rejecting* 77, majority 31. Against which sentence Mr Bryce Johnston dissented in his own name, and of all who should adhere to him, who are allowed to do to-morrow.

A motion was afterwards made by Alexander Ferguson of Craigdarroch, Esq; Advocate, "That in the instructions to be given to the Commission to be appointed by this Assembly, the article which requires the Commission to apply to Parliament, at a convenient season, for deliverance from the grievance of Patronage, be left out of said instructions." After reasoning upon this motion, the Assembly adopted it without a vote, and appointed accordingly.

The cause of Mr Mackintosh, and the parish of Moy, is to be taken up as the first private one to-morrow.

REASONS of DISSENT *against Dr* DRYSDALE's *being chosen Moderator, signed by a number of the Members of Assembly.*

We dissent,

1mo, Because the election of Dr Drysdale, who is joint Principal Clerk of the Venerable Assembly, into the office of Moderator, is illegal, unconstitutional, and destructive of all order; the office of presiding officer in any court, and that of Clerk, being incompatible with one another, as was solemnly decided by the Court of Session, in the case of the Bishop of Galloway, *contra* Inglis, 12th July 1627; and different cases have of late years occurred, where Sheriffs-depute have granted substitutions to the principal Sheriff Clerk, he officiating in his office of clerk, by a deputy; but the matter being made known to the Lords of Justiciary on their circuits, such substitutions, in consequence of injunctions from them, have been recalled or resigned, as contrary to law.

2do, Because the nature of the offices of Moderator and Clerk in the same person, tends to weaken the security of the records of Court, and to render their authenticity precarious: for the record itself is authenticated by the subscription of the Moderator, after being approved of by the Assembly; but, from that time forwards, he is not keeper of the record, nor can he give out extracts, or certified proceedings under his hand from the record; the Clerk, from the time that the record is complete, being the proper keeper thereof, and no extracts or certified copies from the record are authentic, unless signed by the Clerk. By this check, of one person authenticating the records, and another having the custody and power of extracting them, a perpetual check against forgery, vitiation, or alteration, is established; but if the two offices are confounded, every check is entirely taken away, the record may be altered or wrote over again, interpolations may be made in it, that never received the sanction or authority of the Assembly; every appearance of an original record may be given to these, and extracts may be made out by the same hand that vitiated them; and thus the whole power of the supreme judicature of the Church is not only vested in an individual, but a power that may tend to the subversion and reversal of the acts and deeds truly done by the voice of that judicature. That however unexceptionable, in point of probity and good character, the Reverend gentleman who has been voted into the chair by a plurality of voices, is, that affords no reason for confounding original principles, and departing from the rules of the constitution; on the contrary it is in times when no immediate evil is apprehended, we ought to be chiefly upon our guard that no bad precedent should be introduced, which, in times of less security, may be used to the most pernicious purposes.

3tio, Because these general principles have been recognised by the General Assembly itself, and the incompatibility of the two offices of Moderator and Clerk expressly asserted and declared, particularly in the case of the election of the Reverend Mr George Wishart, as Moderator, on the 12th of May 1748; the words of the record, on that occasion, being these, "The General Assembly proceeded to choose their Moderator, in order to which, there were put upon a leet the following brethren, viz, Mr George Wishart, one of the ministers of Edinburgh; Mr George Gordon, minister at Alves; and Mr John Adams, minister at Falkirk. But, previous to the election, it was agreed by the Assembly without a vote, that Mr George Wishart, being their principal clerk, in case he should be chosen Moderator, his office of Clerk be not thereby vacated, but that he be empowered to depute one whom the Assembly shall approve of, to act for him in that office, ay and until the next General Assembly shall be constituted, and a new Moderator be chosen;" and the said Mr George Wishart being chosen Moderator, he, in virtue of the above-mentioned power of deputation, nominated Mr Robert Hamilton, one of the ministers of Edinburgh, to act for him in his office of clerk; which being approved of by the General Assembly, Mr Hamilton did accordingly take the principal Clerk's chair. From which it is clear, that the Assembly held the two offices of Moderator and Clerk to be incompatible; but, in order to make way for the election of Mr Wishart, they previously passed a vote of suspension of him from the office of Clerk, conditional on his being elected Moderator, this suspension to last till another General Assembly was constituted, in consequence whereof he was elected Moderator, and the office of Clerk conferred upon another, until another General Assembly should be constituted.

4to, Because, in every free constitution, absolute and indispensible checks are requisite for establishing its permanency. In the political constitution of the supreme government of Britain, the legislative power of the King is checked by that of the House of Lords and the House of Commons; the legislative power of the House of Lords is checked by that of the King and the House of Commons; and the legislative power of the House of Commons is checked by that of the King and the House of Lords. The security of the records of the House of Lords is provided for, by their being in the custody of the Clerk of Parliament, who cannot be made Speaker of the House of Lords: The security of the journals of the House of Commons is provided for, by their being in the custody of the Clerk of the House of Commons, who cannot be Speaker of that House. The checks upon the King's executive power are his seals, the keepers of which are responsible for all the deeds they put the seals to: and the existence of these officers is necessary as a check; for if the King was to take all the seals into his own hand, and to affix them to deeds and grants without the intervention of any other person, such deeds and grants would be void and null. Why, then, should the Church of Scotland endanger the freedom and energy of her constitution, by departing from any check that she has in her power, which can tend to the preservation and permanency of it?

SOUND SHIPPING.

PASSED THE SOUND.

May 8. Betty of and from Anstruther, Peatie, for Memel;
9. Nelly of and from Dundee, Thornton, for Riga;
Hercules of and from ditto, Greig, for ditto;
Leviathan of Dysart, Nucde, from Kirkcaldy, for Petersburgh;
Janet of and from Dundee, Caithness jun. for Koningsberg;
10. Hope of Irvine, Steel, from London, for Memel;
Robert of ditto, Ross, from ditto, for ditto;—all in ballast.
Mary and Nancy of Wemyss, Dryburgh, from Gottenburgh, for Memel, with herrings.
Betty and Euphan of and from Methel, Ritchie, for ditto, ballast.
Greenock of Greenock, Tarbett, from Gottenburgh, for Riga, with herrings.
Grafton of and from Dundee, Adams, for ditto, in ballast.
Six Sisters of Leith, Thomson, from Gottenburgh, for ditto, herrings.
Jean of and from Dunbar Byard, for Koningsberg, in ballast.
Friendship of and from Peterhead, Skelton, for Memel, ditto.

ELSINORE, May 11. Wind S. E. by S.

WALTER WOOD.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, May 24.——Betsey, Gavine, from Hamburgh, with goods; John and Margaret, Kennedy, from Alemouth, with oats; Francis and Elisabeth, Cousans, from Yarmouth, with pease.—25. Isobel, Finlay, from Montrose, with wheat; Cumberland, Wilson, from Alemouth and Dunbar, with grain; George, Savage, from Yarmouth, with pease; Squirrel, Wiseman, from Lossiemouth, in ballast; Hannah, Irvine, from Crail, in ballast; Hob, Forson, from Chrilliana, with wood.—26. Mally, Sutor, from Peterhead, with malt; Adventure, Harley, from Hull, with bark; Friendship, Hows, from Wisbich, with grain; Wilkison, Edmunds, from Wisbich, with grain; Rachel, Cruickshanks, from Kirkcaldy, in ballast; De Young Pytor, Ketelaar, from Hareling, with grain.

SAILED, Elisabeth, Henderson, for Dantzick, in ballast; William, Slater, for Kirkwall, with goods.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK, May 21. Mary Miller, from Water of Orr, with meal.—22. Janet, Spur, from Waterford, with salt; Janet, Macalister, from Wales, with timber; Susannah, Mackay, from Belfast, with goods.

SAILED, 22. Rose, Macruhan, for Belfast, with goods; Sally, White, for Londonderry, with ditto; Jean, Douglas, for Dungarvan, with ditto.—23. Robert and Mary, Finnell, for Dungarvan, with goods; Fair Penitent, Leith, for Lamlash, to ride quarantine; Speedwell cutter, Willis, for Lamlash.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH, May 19.——Oswald, Bettie, from Berwick, with pease; Good intent, Bertie, from Borrowstounness, with goods; Thomas, Banton, from Ulverston, with iron ore; Industry, Kelly, from Eyemouth, with oatmeal, and hull'd barley; Industry, Downie, from Stirling, with deals and staves; Friendship, Friars, from Borrowstounness, with barley; Jean and May, Neilson, from Berwick, with grain; John, Smart, from ditto with ditto; Cathrine and Mary, Muirhead, from ditto with ditto.——20. Felicity, Graar, from Wells, with pease; Ant, Einhorn, with eighty-four men, women and children, from America.——24. Felton, Loughty, from Alemouth, with oats and pease; Susan, Bond, from Wells, with pease; Samuel, Hill, from Yarmouth, with ditto; John and Betty, Wilson, from Lynn, with pease and barley; Collier, Wilson, from Alloa, with malt; Jean, Brown, from Leith for Glasgow, with sundries.——25. Free Mason, Morrison, from Leith, with pease; Increase, Spinks, from Whitehaven, with iron ore; Betty, Bain, from Limekilns, with lime; Jean, Napier, from Leith for Glasgow, with sundries.

SAILED, 19.——Active, Jameson, for Borrowstounness, with barley, Ann and Mary, for Limekilns, with cast iron; Three Swans, Woods, for Liverpool, with ditto.——21. Industry, Downie; for Stirling, with barley.——23. Liberty, Frears, for Dantzick, in ballast.——24. Fanny, Andrew, for ditto, in ditto; Resolution, Wise, for Petersburgh, in ditto; Thomas, Banton, for Memel, in ditto; Favourite, Brive, for Petersburgh, in ditto.——25. Industry, Kelly, for Leith, with wheat and rye; Felicity, Graar, for Newcastle, in balast; John and Betty, Wilson, for Dantzick, in ditto; Cupid, Calvert, for Lynn, with coals.

A Teacher of Writing and Arithmetic Wanted,

FOR HERIOT's HOSPITAL—the 1st day of June next.

AS one of the Teachers of the said Hospital has demitted his office, it is intended, that the boys be taught writing and arithmetic in two classes, each class one hour in the forenoon, and one hour in the afternoon; so that the Teacher must attend the Hospital four hours every day, Saturdays and Sundays excepted. Those who intend to offer themselves candidates for this office, are desired to give in their names, with certificates of their moral character, to Mr Archibald M'Dowall, Treasurer of the said Hospital, betwixt and Friday the 28th day of May current, in order to stand a comparative trial at the Hospital, upon Monday the 31st current, at seven o'clock in the evening. The person preferred, is to have an allowance at the rate of forty pounds Sterling per annum, to be paid quarterly, during the pleasure of the Governors, but not to be resident in the Hospital.

Cattle Tryst in the Island of Herries.

THAT upon the first Tuesday of July next, and upon the first Tuesday of July annually thereafter, there will be held on the Muir of Camery, in the Island of Harries, a TRYST or FAIR for the sale of Black Cattle.

From this island there are many black cattle sent annually to market, of as good quality as those from the neighbouring islands of Lewis, Uist, Sky, &c.; and as there are public trysts or fairs now established in these places, the proprietor of Harries is desirous to give every encouragement in his power to buyers and dealers in cattle, who shall resort to this market. There are ferries established betwixt Sky and Harries, and it will be optional to the purchasers to have the cattle ferried at their own risk, or that of the sellers.

A ROUP of GRASS INCLOSURES for HAY.

TO be SET, by public roup, upon Tuesday the 1st of June 1784, at four o'clock afternoon,

THIS YEAR'S CROP of Six Inclosures at Laverock Bank, a mile west of Leith. These grounds being a remarkably dry and pleasant situation, the proprietor proposes feuing them out for building upon, or setting a lease of them for garden ground, or stillage.

A servant at the house of Laverock Bank will show the grounds; and proposals may be given in there.

Sale of Lands in Argleshire.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, upon Tuesday the 22d day of June 1784, between five and six afternoon,

THE Estate of DUNTROON and OIB, lying in the parishes of Kilmartine and North Knapdale, and shire of Argyle, as formerly advertised and described. The present free rent is upwards of 860l. and the tenants all thriving. The situation of the estate is both pleasant and convenient; the communication easy, and the soil excellent. The woods are extensive and thriving.

A more complete and desireable property rarely appears in the market; and it will be sold either in one lot, or the four lots formerly advertised.

For further particulars, inquire at John Moir, writer to the signet, Edinburgh, or Duncan Campbell writer in Inverary. John Campbell school-master at Duntroon, will show that estate, and John Campbell at Tayloch, the estate of Oib.

GENERAL POST OFFICE.

EDINBURGH, MAY 26, 1784.

NOTICE was given by a former advertisement from this Office, That the Packet Postage of one Shilling for a single letter, and so in proportion, between London and New York, might or not be paid beforehand: But difficulties having arisen in the collection of the Packet postage in North America, it now becomes necessary to inform the Public, that both the inland and packet postage on all letters from any part of Great Britain or Ireland for North America, which are forwarded from London on the first Wednesday of every month, must absolutely be paid quite to New York, and also to Halifax, without which they must be opened, and returned to the writers.

By order of the Postmaster General,

DAVID ROSS, Sec.

NOTICE to Persons wishing to carry on the Business of Tanner and Merchant at Lanark.

TO be SOLD or SET, a large and commodious TAN-YARD within the Burgh of Lanark, with Dry Shades, Bark Lofts, Currying Shop, Leather Cellar, and every other conveniency. In the tan-yard is a pump-well, with plenty of water. This tan-yard was lately finished in the best manner, and every thing is substantial, commodious, and in the very best order.——Persons inclining to purchase, or become tacksmen, may have the stock of hydes and bark on hand.

There will also be sold or set, A DWELLING-HOUSE, newly built and finished in the neatest manner. On the ground floor is two exceeding good fore and back shops; above is a neat dining-room, with three other commodious apartments, several closets and a kitchen, Table, byre, cellar, and garden. There are also other houses adjacent to be sold, with a barn and barn-yard, and five acres of croft land.

As this tan-yard lies immediately behind the said houses, offices, and garden, persons inclining may carry on both businesses of Merchant and Tanner; and the more so, as the said shops front the market-place, and are the best situate of any in town for that purpose, both which the late proprietor carried on; and they may have the stock of Merchant Goods on hand.

Persons wishing to purchase or become tacksmen of the above subjects, may apply to David Jack merchant in Lanark, or James Currie writer there; and any person having claims on the deceased William Selkirk merchant in Lanark, the proprietor of said subjects, are requested immediately to lodge notes thereof in the hands of the said David Jack or James Currie. And any persons owing to the said William Selkirk are entreated to make payment, to prevent diligence.

LANDS IN LANARKSHIRE.

To be SOLD by private bargain,

THE Lands and Estate of AUGHTIFARDELL, with the Teinds; also the Superiority of the Lands of Cummerhead and Meadow, lying in the parish of Lesmahagow, and shire of Lanark.

This estate is of considerable extent, is pleasantly situated upon the wooded banks of the water of Nethan, which falls into the Clyde a few miles below the house of Aughtifardell; lies about six miles from Lanark, twelve miles from Hamilton, twenty-two from Glasgow, and thirty-six from Edinburgh; holds partly of the Crown, and partly of a subject superior, for payment of small feu-duties. There are great appearances of lead on the lands of Cummerhead, and rich ore has frequently been found in these lands, upon small trials that have been made. There is a large extensive common in the neighbourhood, in which part of this estate has a considerable interest. There is a good commodious mansion-house, with a complete set of offices; a pigeon-house, smiddy, a corn and lint mills, kilns, and malt-barns, on the above estate, with a large garden, walled in, and planted with the best kinds of fruit-trees. There are also above twelve acres of ground laid out in orchards, stocked with the best bearing kinds of fruit-trees. There are several large plantations of all sorts of fruit-trees upon the estate, and very large extensive natural woods upon the banks of the Nethan, for near two miles in length. The whole is divided into ten small farms, with good houses on each of them. The grounds are mostly inclosed, partly with stone walls and stripes of planting, partly with hedge and ditch and stripes of planting. There is great plenty of game of all kinds upon the premises, and great abundance of coal and lime at a very small distance from the house. The yearly free rent is upwards of 250l. kain and carriages not rentalled. The tenants pay the land-tax and all public burdens.

For further particulars apply to James Baillie of Coulerallers, at the Stamp Office, Edinburgh, who will show the tacks, rental, and progress of writs; or to John Orr of Borrowfield, Esq; at Glasgow; or to the proprietor at Kailzie, near Peebles.

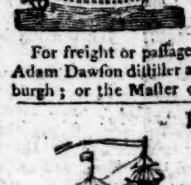
FOR JAMES's RIVER IN VIRGINIA,
And to load Goods in Hampton Road,
THE BRIGANTINE
NEPTUNE,
——BELL, Master,

WILL be ready to take on board goods at Greenock, by the 1st June; and, as a great part of her cargo is already engaged, will positively sail as soon as that is on board, whether she gets fill'd up or not.

For freight or passage, apply to William Hamilton and Co. Merchants in Greenock, or to James Robertson at the Merchant Bank, Glasgow.

The NEPTUNE is a stout British built vessel, of about 160 tons burden, and has good accommodation for passengers.

AT GREENOCK,
FOR NEW YORK,
The Brigantine LIBERTY,
WILLIAM WALKER Master,



Will be ready to receive goods on board by the 25th inst. and will sail about the 5th of June.

☞ The Liberty is a fine new vessel, nine months old, about 250 tons burden, is well adapted for carrying passengers, being high between decks, and will be neatly fitted up for their accommodation.

For freight or passage, apply to Charles Walker merchant, Glasgow; Adam Dawson distiller at Bonnytown; Mr William Allan teacher, Edinburgh; or the Master on board.

FOR JAMES's RIVER, VIRGINIA,
THE SHIP ELIZABETH,

Burden 300 tons, British built, quite new, lying at Port Glasgow, is now ready to take in goods, and will be clear to sail by the first June next.—Passage in the cabin 12 Guineas, the passengers to pay over and above their proportion of cabin stores.—Steerage passage 7 Guineas in full. For freight or passage, apply to William French, merchant in Glasgow, or Captain John Crawford, Port Glasgow. The ship has excellent accommodation for passengers, will lie a few days in Hampton Road, to put out any goods that may offer for the other Rivers, and then proceed to City Point on James's River.

GLASGOW, April 26. 1784.

For CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, and WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA,
The SHIP WILMINGTON,
JAMES HARVIE Master,

Will be clear to take in goods at Greenock by the middle of May, and to sail about the 15th June next.

The Wilmington is a good vessel, and will have the best accommodation for passengers.

For freight or passage, apply to Mr James Robertson of Merchant Bank, Glasgow, or Flemings, Macalister, and Co. Greenock.

☞ House and Ship Carpenters, Blockmakers, Smiths, Coopers, Bricklayers, and Tailors, willing to indent, will meet with good encouragement, by applying as above.

21st April 1784.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Truſtees on the ſequeſtrated eſtates of MUAT and AITKEN Merchants in Edinburgh, and GEO. MUAT and CO. Merchants at Sealock, hereby deſires the Creditors of thoſe Companies to meet within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Monday the 31ſt of May current, at twelve o'clock noon, in order to take the affairs under conſideration. Not to be repeated.

TO be SOLD within the Coffeehouſe of Dumfries, upon Wedneſday the 10th of June next, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

The Five-merk Land of AIRDS, of old extent,

the Four-merk Land of Over Hazlefield; the Three-merk Land of Nether Linkens, and Lands of Balcarry, all lying within the pariſh of Rerrick, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright, and paying the yearly rents after-mentioned, viz.

1. Balcarry, and part of Airds, let to Thomas Clark and others, on a tack current for thirty years, after Whitſunday 1778, paying of yearly rent, - - - L. 52 0 10

2. Airds, poſſeſſed by William M'Brair, without a tack, at - - 40 0 0

92 10 0

From which deduct the ſtipend, L. 1 4 0 6-12ths
And feu and teind duties, 1 6 0 4-12ths

2 10 0 10-12ths

There remains of free rent, - L. 89 19 11 2-12ths

The above lands pay ſupply according to a valuation of 140l. Scots, and will be expoſed in two lots, if offerers incline.

3. Nether Linkens, ſet to Patrick Sproat, on a tack for 19 years, after Whitſunday 1771, at L. 47 14 0
From which deduct the ſtipend, L. 1 4 0 6-12ths
And feu and teind duties, 0 11 5

1 15 5 6-12ths

Remains of free rent, L. 45 18 6 6-12ths

The above lands pay ſupply according to a valuation of 60l. Scots.

4. Over Hazlefield, let to John Kirkpatrick, William Graham, John Shennam, and James M'Naught, on tacks for 19 years after Whitſunday 1778 and 1779, at - L. 145 2 8¼

Theſe lands are liable for ſupply according to a valuation of 90l. Scots, and pay no ſtipend to the miniſter.

The tenants pay all public burdens.

The lands laſt mentioned riſe to 148l. 2s. 8d. from Whitſunday 1788, and to 154l. 5s. 6d. from Whitſunday 1793.

The above lands all hold of the Crown. The teinds are valued, and the proprietor has right to a tack thereof from the Deans of the Chapel Royal, current to Martinmas 1790.

The lands are, in general, of an excellent quality, well incloſed with ſtone dykes, and lie near the ſea ſhore, from whence lime is eaſily carried to them. The farm houſes are in good repair, having been built within theſe five years, and are moſtly covered with ſlate roofs.

At ſame time will be ſold, a HOUSE STEAD, and Garden behind the ſame, in the High Street of the burgh of Kircudbright, lying between the property of Meſſ. John Buchanan and William M'Whinnie, very proper for building upon.

Any perſon wanting to be further informed, or wiſhing to ſee the title deeds, articles of roup, or tacks, may apply to Hugh Corrie, writer to the ſignet, Edinburgh, or Commiſſary Goldie at Dumfries.

JUDICIAL SALE OF

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF PERTH.

TO be SOLD by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or new Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 6th day of July 1784, betwixt the hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills,

The Lands and Eſtate of KILGRASTOWN,

which partained to the deceaſed John Craigie of Kilgraſtown, lying in the pariſhes of Dumbarnie, Dron, and Abernethy, and ſhire of Perth. This eſtate conſiſts of 1754 acres, 1 rood, and 32 falls, all conveniently and pleaſantly ſituated within a few miles of the town of Perth, and the late proprietor beautified the place with extenſive plantations and policies. There is a commodious Dwelling Houſe upon the eſtate, which is within three miles of the town of Perth, and about a quarter of a mile weſt from the bridge of Earn; and there are a complete ſet of offices lately built thereon.

The yearly proven rent of the eſtate, after deduction of the feu-duties, and School Maſters ſalleries, is - - L. 1068 7 4 5-12ths

Which, valued at 26 years purchaſe, amounts to - - 27777 11 6 10-12ths

And, deducting a fifth of the groſs rent for teind, being - - L. 252 18 5 5-12ths

From which the ſtipends payable to the Miniſters of Dron and Dumbarnie fall to be deducted, amounting to - 35 4 1

Makes the free teind L. 217 14 4 6-12ths

Which valued at five years purchaſe, extends to - - - 1088 11 10 6-12ths

So that the upſet price of the eſtate will be L. 28,866 3 5 4-12ths

This eſtate comprehends the following Lands, viz.

I. The Lands of KILGRASTOWN, whereon the manſion-houſe and offices ſtand, and Part of the Lands of KINTULLO, lying within the pariſh of Dumbarnie, and upon the weſt ſide of the turnpike road leading from Perth to Kinroſs; pleaſantly ſituated along the ſouth ſide of the water of Earn, immediately to the weſt of the bridge of Earn, and are all incloſed and ſubdivided. The tenants houſes are in good order; the ſoil is of a rich quality, and the grounds are in excellent good condition. This part of the eſtate conſiſts of 574 acres, 3 roods, and 17 falls, part whereof, is agreeably laid out in woods and plantations, which are in a healthy and thriving condition.

II. That part of the Lands of Kintullo, Broomſtobs, Clayton, and others, with the ſalmon fiſhing upon the water of Earn, lying in the pariſh of Dumbarnie, and upon the eaſt ſide of the turnpike road leading from Perth to Kinroſs.——Theſe lands conſiſt of 394 acres, 2 roods, 34 falls, and lie pleaſantly along the ſouth ſide of the water of Earn, immediately to the eaſt of the Bridge of Earn, and are all incloſed and ſubdivided. The tenants houſes are all in good condition, and the ſoil is of a rich quality. They hold of the Crown, and entitle the proprietor to vote in the election for the county of Perth. Part of theſe lands is alſo beautifully laid out in woods and plantations, which are in a very thriving condition.

III. The Lands of Kirkpottie, Meikle Fildies, and Clochriggſtone, lying contiguous within the pariſh of Dron, and conſiſting of 676 acres, 1 rood, and 36 falls; 264 acres, 3 roods, and 9 falls whereof, have been planted in the view of building a Manſion-houſe upon this part of the eſtate. Theſe plantations are in high order. The lands hold of the Crown, and are valued in the Ceſs-books of the county at 260 l. Scots.

IV. The Lands of Halltown, with the fiſhing of Cordon, upon the water of Earn, lying within the pariſh of Abernethy, and in the neighbourhood of the lands of Kirkpottie, &c. above mentioned. This farm conſiſts of 61 acres, 2 roods, and 21 falls.

Theſe two parcels of the eſtate laſt mentioned, are ſituated within 4 miles of the town of Perth, and two miles of the bridge of Earn.

The articles of roup will be ſeen at the office of Mr John Callander, Depute-Clerk of Seſſion; and the progreſs of writs, rentals, and plans of the eſtate, will be ſhown by William Lumſdaine, clerk to the ſignet. John Rutherford, jun. writer in Perth, the preſent factor, will alſo ſhew rentals of the eſtate; and William Chalmers at Kilgraſtown, will ſhow the grounds.

GROUND FOR FEUING.

SEVERAL AREAS on the Weſt ſide of St John's Street, to be feued out. There are two mutual Gavels upon the north and ſouth ends of the Houſes already built, which will be communicated to any after Feuers upon reaſonable terms.

The terms upon which theſe feus will be granted, are much more reaſonable than thoſe of any other building areas, either in New Town or George's-Square, particularly as the feu-duty of the former is now encreaſed 50 per cent.

For further particulars, apply to Francis or John Anderſons, writers to the ſignet.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD by authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Friday the 2d day of July 1784, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills,

THE SUBJECTS FOLLOWING,

Which pertained to the deceaſed William Hay of Crawfurdſton, writer to the ſignet, and afterwards to James Hay of Crawfurdſton his Son, viz.

LOT I.

The Lands and Eſtate of CRAWFURDSTON, including Kidſton, and Brattleſton, Cleughſide and Largmore, with the miln thereof, teinds and pertinents lying in the pariſh of Glencairn and ſhire of Dumfries; as alſo, the Lands of Little Stewarton, lying in the ſame pariſh and ſhire.

The yearly rent of the eſtate of Crawfurdſton, free of all deductions, is proved to be 204l. 18s. 3d. 7-12ths; which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchaſe, or - L. 4580 2 6 8-12ths

The rent of the Lands of Little-Stewarton, after deducting School ſalary and a fifth part for teind, is proved to be 16 l. 11 s. 3 d. which the Lords have valued at 22 years purchaſe, or L. 364 7 6

And the privilege of purchaſing the free teind, being 3 l. 19 s. 9 d. is valued at 5 years purchaſe, L. 19 18 9

384 6 3

Upſet price of 1ſt Lot, - L. 4892 8 9 8-12ths

Theſe lands are pleaſantly ſituated on the water of Cairn, within 14 miles of Dumfries, and 7 of Cloſeburn limekilns; they contain upwards of 1600 acres of good ſoil, all incloſed; and there are valuable woods and thriving plantations on different parts of the eſtate. Both the eſtate of Crawfurdſton and Lands of Little-Stewarton are held of his Grace the Duke of Queenſberry; the former for payment of 2 l. 10 d. Sterling, the latter for payment of an eluſery duty. The teinds of the former, to which there is a complete right are valued. Both ſubjects ſtand rated in the Ceſs-books at 954 merks.—On the eſtate of Crawfurdſton is a manſion-houſe adjoining the Tower, which might be repaired at a ſmall expence; and the leaſes of all the farms expire at Whitſunday 1786.

LOT II.

The Lands of CASTLEBANK, comprehending Sealewood, Croſdales, Carruther's Town, Meadow Foot, and pertinents, lying in the pariſh of Hoddam and ſhire of Dumfries.

The rent of theſe lands free, after deducting feu-duty and School ſalary, and laying aſide a fifth part for teind is, 44 l. 12 s. 8 d. 9-12ths; which, at 23 years purchaſe, the Lord's price amounts to - - - L. 1026 11 118-12ths

And the privilege of purchaſing the free teinds, being 7 l. 6 s. 7d. 4-12ths, is rated at 5 years purchaſe, or - - - 36 13 0 8-12ths

Upſet price of Lot 2d, L. 1063 5 0 4-12ths

Theſe Lands hold feu of Sir Robert Herries, for yearly payment of 14 l. Scots. They lie near the village of Ecclefechan, within a mile of two limeſtone quarries, contain about 170 acres, and are a very improveable ſubject.

LOT III.

Two INCLOSURES near the town of Annan, called GILLS and SLAVERHILL, containing about 10 acres.

The free rent of theſe incloſures, after deducting 1s. 5d. 8-12ths, as a poportion of the cumulo feu duty payable to the town of Annan, for this and the ſubſequent lot, and after laying aſide a fifth part for teind, to which there is no right, is proved to be 2 l. 4 s. 6 9-12ths, which free rent being valued at 23 years purchaſe, the upſet price of the ſtock is, - - - L. 51 4 11 3-12ths

And the privilege of purchaſing the free teind, being 9 s. 1 2-12ths, is valued at 5 years purchaſe, amounting to - - - 2 5 5 10-12ths

Upſet price of Lot 3d, - L. 53 10 5 1-12th

LOT IV.

A large Brick DWELLING HOUSE and STABLE, and the half of a large Brick Store-houſe, and vaulted Cellar, with a little Garden at the back of the Store-houſe, all lying within the Burgh of Annan.

The free rent of theſe houſes, after deducting 3 s. 1 5-12ths, as a proportion of the cumulo feu-duty, payable to the town of Annan for this and the preceding lot, amounts to 4 l. 16 s. 10 d. 7-12ths; which being valued at 10 years purchaſe, the upſet price is L. 48 8 9 10-12ths

LOT V.

A part of the Lands called NEWINGTON or CHERRYHALL, conſiſting of ſeveral Houſes, Offices, and ſmall Garden, with the ſuperiority of an acre of land, and feu-duties thereof, all lying near the Grange toll, in the pariſh of St Cuthbert's, and ſhire of Edinburgh.

One of theſe houſes which is preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Brown, conſiſts of ſix fire rooms, beſides Kitchen and Cellars, and with the Garden, is rented at 13 l. The others are ſmaller, one being rented at 5 l. another at 3 l. 10.

The acre of Land of which the ſuperiority is to be ſold, is feued out, one half to James Howieſon, and the other to John Breckinrigg, for the yearly payment of 5 l. Sterling each.

The rent of the property ſubjects, after deducting a proportion of the feu-duty payable to Mr Crichton of Newington, Mr Hay's ſuperior, is 18 l. 1 s. 9 d. which being valued at ſix years purchaſe, the upſet price of theſe property ſubjects will be - - L. 108 10 6

And the ſubfeu-duties, after deducting a proportion of ſaid feu-duty payable to Mr Crichton, amount to 8 l. 8 s. 3 d. which being valued at nineteen years purchaſe, the upſet price is - - - 159 16 9

Upſet price of lot 5th, L. 268 7 3

But, if more agreeable to offerers, theſe laſt mentioned ſubjects may be ſet up in three different lots thus,

Lot 1. To conſiſt of the property ſubjects, upſet price as above, - - L. 108 10 6
2 James Howieſon's feu ditto, - - 79 18 4½
3. John Breckenriggs ditto ditto, - - 79 18 4½

L. 268 7 3

LOT VI.

A HOUSE or LODGING, GARRET, and CELLAR, in the Meal-market of Edinburgh, preſently poſſeſſed by Alexander Macdonald clerk to the ſignet.

The proven free rent of this houſe is 18 l. Sterling, which being valued at ten years purchaſe, the upſet price will be 180 l.

LOT VII.

A HOUSE or LODGING, and Pertinents, in Goſsford's Cloſe, Edinburgh, fronting the High-ſtreet, preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Hay. The proven rent of which is 20 l. and the upſet price is fixed at ten years purchaſe, or 200 l.

The articles of roup, and title-deeds, may be ſeen by applying to Keith Dunbar, depute-clerk of ſeſſion, or James Thomſon writer to the ſignet; and plans of the eſtates, and copies of the articles, are alſo lodged with Thomas Goldie writer in Dumfries.

BY ADJOURNMENT,

And Prices reduced to Twenty Years Purchaſe.

LANDS OF BLAIRNGONE

TO be expoſed to ſale, by public roup, and by authority of the Court of Seſſion, within John's Coffee-houſe in Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 23d day of June 1784, at five o'clock afternoon,

THESE FOUR SIXTH PARTS of the ſaid Town and Lands of BLAIRNGONE, with the teinds thereof, which pertained to the deceaſed Robert Alice, in one lot, at the upſet price of 1923 l. 18 s. 4 d. Sterling.

AS ALSO,

ANOTHER SIXTH PART of the ſaid Town and Lands, with the teinds thereof, which once belonged to Edward Rutherford of Pathmill, in a lot by itſelf, at the upſet-price of 480 l. 19 s. 7 d. Sterling.

Or both lots will be ſold together, at the upſet-price of 2404 l. 17 s. 11 d. Sterling. And as all obſtructions to the ſale are now removed, the Public may depend on the roup's taking place at this time.

Theſe upſet-prices are only twenty years purchaſe of the free rent, which is 24 l. 0 s. 11¾ d. for each ſixth part; the feu-duty, ceſs, and all other public burdens being paid by the tenants, beſides the foreſaid free rent. All the tacks expired at Martinmas laſt, except one, which is current only to Martinmas next, and a conſiderable riſe of rent may be expected.

The lands lie in the pariſh of Foſſoway, and ſhire of Perth, pleaſantly ſituated on the banks of the water of Dovan, about twelve miles from Perth, ſix from Dunfermline, and four from Alloa. They are very extenſive and improveable, there being great plenty of freeſtone and lime in the ground; and the proprietor of the other ſixth part is deſirous of having the lands divided, immediately after the ſale, which muſt greatly raiſe the rent and value.

The conditions of roup, rental, and progreſs of writs are in the hands of Thomas Ruthven writer in Edinburgh. And John Taylor coal-grieve at Blairngone will ſhow the lands.

UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

SALE of the ESTATE of ORCHARDTON,

In the STEWARTRY of KIRKCUDBRIGHT—*In Whole* or in *Lots*.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh, upon Friday the 23d of July 1784, the roup to begin at five o'clock afternoon,

All and Whole the Lands and Eſtate of ORCHARDTON, lying within the pariſhes of Buittle, Rerrick, and united pariſhes of Gelſton and Kelton, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright.

This eſtate conſiſts of 3267 acres Scots meaſure, whereof there are 1690 acres of rich arable ground, and 1577 acres of excellent paſture.—Almoſt the whole eſtate is incloſed, and the arable farms are ſubdivided with good fences. The farm houſes, which are timbered with the beſt foreign wood, and covered with ſlates, and office-houſes, are in the very beſt order, moſt of them having been built within theſe three or four years. The free rent of the eſtate is 1014 l. Sterl. after deduction of all public burdens, and by ſubdividing the larger farms, a conſiderable riſe of rent might be obtained. The tenants are in general men of wealth, and are carrying on great improvements by means of lime, marle, ſeaſhells, ſleech, &c. with which the lands are plentifully ſupplied.

The natural wood on this eſtate is extenſive, and the whole of an age fit for cutting; from a late appreciation it appears, that the value of the wood is upwards of 500 l. Sterling.

Upon the lands of New Orchardton there has been lately built a large, elegant, and commodious manſion-houſe, with a complete ſet of office-houſes, and houſes for labouring ſervants, executed in the moſt ſubſtantial manner. In erecting and completing which buildings, there has been expended upwards of 3000 l. Sterling. There is alſo a good garden and orchard well ſtocked with fruit trees.

The Houſe of Orchardton is delightfully ſituated near the Bay of Hiſton on the Solway Frith, and has a commanding proſpect of the coaſt of England on the oppoſite ſhore. Within the bounds of the eſtate are ſeveral good harbours, fit to receive veſſels of conſiderable burden, particularly one within 300 yards of the houſe of Orchardton; from the Bay near the houſe, the family reſiding there may at all ſeaſons be plentifully ſupplied with a variety of fiſh, which are taken by the ſervants, without difficulty, by placing nets at low water.—Among the many advantages which this eſtate enjoys, it may be remarked, that it lies in a country where the ſpring and ſummer are earlier than in any other place in Scotland, and the cold and other diſagreeable effects of the eaſt wind are ſcarcely felt.

The whole eſtate holds of the Crown for payment of ſmall feu and blanch duties, and ſtands valued in the ceſs-books at 1047 l. Scots, which, with two forty ſhilling lands of old extent, entitles the proprietor to four freehold qualifications.

If the eſtate is not ſold *in cumulo*, it will be expoſed in lots as follows,

LOT I.—Mains of Orchardton, Chapelcroft, Blackbelly, &c. New Mill of Orchardton and Glenſhinnock, and Mill of Auchincairn.

NOTA, This lot includes the manſion-houſe, and all the natural wood.

LOT II.—The Farm of Clonyards, lying detached from the reſt of the eſtate.

LOT III.—The Farm of Caigton.

For further particulars enquire at the proprietor at Orchardton houſe, William Keith accomptant in Edinburgh, or at James Baillie at the Stamp Office, who will ſhow the tacks, rental, progreſs of writs, and a plan and meaſurement of the eſtate. Any perſon inclining to treat by private bargain before the day of ſale may apply as above

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TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Tueſday the 10th of Auguſt 1784, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

The Lands and Mill of GLACK, the Lands of OLD CRAIG and KIRKTOWN, and the Lands of DAVIOT;

all lying contiguous in the pariſhes of Daviot and Chapel of Garrioch, and county of Aberdeen.

Theſe lands conſiſt of 1188 acres or thereby, and the preſent rent is 322 l. 8 s. 8d. Sterling in money, 147 bolls meal, 9 bolls beer, and about 20 dozen of poultry, beſides carriages and ſervices; and the public burdens are about 23 l. and 10 bolls victual.

Upon the lands of Glack, in the centre of the eſtate, there is a commodious manſion-houſe, gardens, and offices, fit for the accommodation of a gentleman's family; and on the farm that ſurrounds the houſe, formerly in the heritor's own hand, a very complete ſet of barns, byres, houſes for farm ſervants, &c. was lately built and ſlated.

This farm (planting included) contains about 150 acres, divided into regular incloſures properly fenced, well ſupplied with water, and ſurrounded with belts of planting and hedges, in the moſt thriving condition. It has been improved at a conſiderable expence, and is at preſent all in graſs, and laid down in good condition; the greateſt part ſeveral years ago.

The adjoining farm of Weſtmains, about 80 acres, was lately taken in to the proprietor's own hand, and incloſed. It is only charged in the rental at 15 l. paid for the graſs 1783, though the former rent paid by the tenant was 10 l. in money, and 24 bolls meal. It would now ſet to great advantage for ploughing; and it has a proper ſteading of houſes of all kinds for a tenant.

No rent is put upon the manſion-houſe and gardens, &c. nor upon about 50 acres under planting and belts, ſome of it of the beſt ſoil. The wood, conſiſting of Oak, Aſh, Elm, Plain, Fir, &c. is full grown and of conſiderable value.

This eſtate holds of the Crown, and ſtands rated in the ceſs-books at above 700 l. Scots. It is of a good ſoil, well accommodated, and of eaſy acceſs. A regular poſt paſſes near to the houſe three times a-week. There is a good mill on the eſtate, which was lately repaired. But no part of the eſtate is thirled to any mill, except one ſmall poſſeſſion. Two yearly fairs, in June and October, are held at the Kirktown of Daviot, and there is a right to a weekly market.

The title-deeds, rental, current leaſes, plans of the lands, and conditions of ſale, are to be ſeen in the hands of William Walker attorney in Exchequer; to whom, or to Mr Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain, perſons willing to purchaſe may apply. William Glennie, at the houſe of Glack will ſhow the lands, and a copy of the rental.

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